

Amendments

Claims 11 has been cancelled. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**"

Restriction Requirement

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 27, 2001, Applicants wish to draw to the Examiner's attention that claims 17-19 were inadvertently left out by the Examiner, but because claims 17-19 are related to claims 12-14, Applicants assert that they should be elected as part of Group I. Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-10 and 12-19, drawn to method of killing a pest using an antibody-toxin conjugate, with traverse.

The Applicants hereby traverse the Restriction Requirement mailed September 27, 2001. The Examiner argues that Group I is drawn to a method while Group II is drawn to a monoclonal antibody. The statements of the Examiner

notwithstanding, Applicants assert the monoclonal antibody recited by claim 11 of Group II is a specific embodiment of the method of Group I. Both Inventions of Groups I and II have a basis for unity of invention in that the monoclonal antibody of Group II is used to perform the method of claim 1, i.e., targeting the destruction of pests.

As the methodology of Group I involves using the monoclonal antibody of claim 11, it would not unduly burden the Examiner to perform a search encompassing claims 1-10, 12-19 of Group I and claim 11 of Group II. A search of prior art directed to the Invention of Group I will necessarily reveal prior art related to the Invention of Group II. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the Restriction Requirement be withdrawn and that claim 11 be examined on their merits.

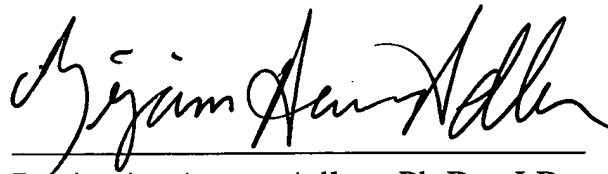
This is intended to be a complete response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 27, 2001. If any issues remain outstanding, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney of record for immediate

resolution. Should any additional fees be due, please debit Deposit
Account 07-1185.

Respectfully submitted,

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Please cancel claims 11.